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The Honorable Michael D. Barnes
U.S. House of Representatives
401 Cannon House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Mr. Barnes:

It is with great pleasure that I forward the nominations of [redacted]
[redacted] the Central Intelligence Agency nominees for
the Congressional Excalibur Award.

[redacted] is currently serving in a senior position within the
principal Agency office responsible for managing large, technologically
advanced intelligence collection systems associated with our national
defense. [redacted] has combined engineering and management skills to
lead the Agency in consummating the operation of one of the nation's most
important and unique intelligence collection systems.

Further details on these gentlemen's outstanding contributions are
contained in the attached statements. I believe both of them to be very
strong candidates. If you should need further information, please
contact [redacted]

Sincerely,

William J. Casey
Director of Central Intelligence

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Excalibur Award Nomination

It is with great pleasure that I forward the nomination of [redacted] for your consideration for the 1985 Excalibur Award.

During the 18 years [redacted] has been with the Central Intelligence Agency, he has consistently demonstrated a variety of unique and innovative approaches to solving complex management problems in the area of large-scale systems development and operation. He has been the recipient of nine separate commendations and citations, as well as an Exceptional Accomplishment Award. This is unqualified and solid testimony to the initiative, aggressiveness, and determination which [redacted] has brought to each activity with which he has been associated.

[redacted] is currently serving in a senior position within the principal Agency Office responsible for managing large, technologically advanced intelligence collection systems associated with our national defense. The size and complexity of the numerous programs within this Office requires exceedingly careful management attention and constant oversight to ensure that costs are maintained within budget and that projected delivery schedules are met. [redacted] has the extraordinary capability to analyze a problem, be it of a technical or programmatic nature, assess the relevant issues, and deliver concise and unambiguous resolution plans in a timely and comprehensive manner. He recently demonstrated this capability in researching an inflation issue that impacted on both the Office of Management & Budget and the Office of the Secretary of Defense in relation to procurement of high technology systems. [redacted] analysis culminated in a recommendation which prevented an over-run of nearly one and a half billion dollars.

[redacted] constant and selfless striving for excellence in all he does is truly in the best tradition of the criteria for the Excalibur Award.

Excalibur Award Nomination

It is with great pleasure that I forward the nomination of [] for your consideration for the 1985 Excalibur Award.

[] 14 years with the Central Intelligence Agency have been marked by increasingly senior positions of responsibility in the area of systems development and operations. A recipient of the Agency's Medal of Merit, he has adroitly woven together a superb engineering background with an exceptional array of management techniques to lead the Agency in consummating the operation of one of the nation's most important and unique intelligence collection systems. The complexity and sophistication of this system requires an outstanding ability to plan and execute a multi-billion dollar, multi-year program in a comprehensive and timely fashion. In each phase of his management control, the program has met or exceeded virtually every expectation projected for the system. This is directly attributable to [] superior leadership, firm management, and broad scope of understanding the many facets of large-scale system development.

[] major role in the success of this nation's most productive state-of-the-art technical collection system is further exemplified by the noteworthy and creative approaches he developed to resolve a series of unprecedented challenges, both within the program and external to the Agency. His innovative ideas and ability to bring together many government and industrial organizations into a cohesive team has been singularly instrumental in meeting these long-standing challenges with an immense degree of success, thereby enabling the system to be delivered on schedule, within budget, and achieving the most stringent of performance criteria.

[] leadership-by-example has the unqualified admiration of those who work for him, as well as his superiors. He is in every sense of the word most deserving of consideration to receive the 1985 Excalibur Award.

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The Honorable William J. Casey
Director
Central Intelligence Agency
Washington, D.C. 20505

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Dear Mr. Casey:

I am pleased to inform you that we are now accepting nominations for the tenth presentation of the Congressional Excalibur Award.

August 15, 1985, is the deadline for your agency to submit one or more nominations to this office which should include a letter of nomination, limited to one page, and a summary of each nominee's achievements. Nominations received after this date will be considered for a future award. As in the past, nominations for earlier Excalibur Awards will be reviewed once again.

All federal employees, civilian and military, are eligible for the Excalibur Award, and can be nominated by officials of either federal agencies or private organizations. Members of the general public may also offer nominations. Awards are given to individuals and to teams of persons working together on a specific project.

Last October, I was privileged to honor four outstanding federal employees at the ninth presentation of the Excalibur Award: Ms. Christina R. Frias and the Rev. William Nelson of the Veterans Administration were honored for their contributions to health care, and Dr. John A. Parker and Mr. Demetrius A. Kourtides of NASA were recognized for their extensive research in aviation fire prevention. Ms. Frias has been involved in providing care for the aging, and the Rev. Nelson has assisted patients and families in coping with death and dying. Aircraft seating will be safer thanks to the fireproof seating materials developed by Dr. Parker and Mr. Kourtides.

The Honorable William J. Casey
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I encourage you to publicize the Excalibur Award and the upcoming nomination period for the tenth presentation. Enclosed for your reference is a fact sheet, further describing the Award, and a flyer for posting on a bulletin board. I look forward to receiving one or more nominations from your agency.

Sincerely,


Michael D. Barnes

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Excalibur award

excellence in public service
congressional award for
Federal civilian and military personnel



Congressman Barnes presents the Seventh Excalibur Award for excellence in federal government service to Carlos J. Romero (left) and Frank T. Davis. Mr. Davis, an Outplacement Officer at the General Accounting Office, is a highly regarded career counselor successfully placing an average of 200 employees each year. Mr. Romero was honored for his role in furthering federal sector employment for women and minorities. He is an Equal Opportunity Specialist with the Labor Department.

contributions at local, national or
international levels
let the nation know
about the many outstanding
men and women in government
citation presented
at U.S. Capitol ceremony

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EXCALIBUR AWARD

FACT SHEET

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Congressman Michael D. Barnes (D-8-Md.), Chairman of the Federal Government Service Task Force, initiated the Excalibur Award in 1979. The purpose of the award is to recognize and honor outstanding contributions made by federal civilian and military personnel.

WHAT ARE ITS OBJECTIVES?

- o To encourage initiative and excellence in performance by government employees
- o To publicize such achievements and enhance public appreciation of the merit and performance of government employees, helping to counter the negative image sometimes associated with government service
- o To help attract talented persons to the federal service

WHAT ARE THE CRITERIA FOR THE SELECTION OF NOMINEES?

On a regular basis, candidates for the Excalibur Award are sought who exemplify:

- o Outstanding efforts or leadership in solving problems at local, national, or international levels
- o Exceptional scientific, technical, or administrative achievements
- o Superior service to the public, such as the improvement of efficiency including simplification of government regulations
- o Ability to overcome obstacles to organizational objectives, such as making substantial savings in expenditures
- o High personal integrity, moral character and courage in dealing with difficult or sensitive problems

- o Unusual degree of imagination and initiative involved in a specific achievement impacting on the agency and the public

WHO IS ELIGIBLE AND HOW ARE NOMINATIONS MADE?

All federal career civilian and military employees are eligible. Normally, each award goes to one individual, but a small team of persons who have worked jointly on a project may also be considered.

Nominations are invited on a continuing basis from heads and other officials of federal departments and agencies, from other organizations and from the general public.

Nominations summarizing the individual's achievement should not exceed one page in length. Interested persons should advise Rep. Michael D. Barnes, Room 401 Cannon House Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20515 (202-225-5341) of their nominees.

WHO WILL SELECT THE AWARD RECIPIENT?

Final selections are made by an impartial committee, appointed by Rep. Barnes, composed of eight distinguished citizens drawn from a wide variety of professions and experiences. The Chairman of the Excalibur Award Selection Committee is Mr. Harry McPherson, attorney and former White House Counsel to President Lyndon Johnson. Other Selection Committee members include: Hon. Joseph D. Tydings, attorney and former U.S. Senator from Maryland; Mr. Nicholas Nolan, Secretary-Treasurer of the American Federation of Government Employees; Dr. Estelle Ramey, professor of Physiology and Biochemistry at Georgetown University Medical School and Advisor to the Director of the National Institutes of Health; Mr. John Heller, Assistant to the Comptroller General of the United States; Mr. Robert R. Nathan, economic consultant; Mr. Gary Hymel, Gray & Co.; Mr. Chris Matthews, Assistant to House Speaker Tip O'Neill; and Dr. Douglas Labier, psychoanalyst and associate with the Washington-based Project on Technology, Work and Character.

HOW IS THE AWARD GIVEN?

The award is granted in the form of a plaque and an honorary citation. It is presented by Rep. Barnes at a ceremony held at the U.S. Capitol, in the presence of other members of Congress, officials of the executive branch, members of the Excalibur Award Selection Committee, and representatives of the news media.

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This is one of several Public

are requested each year. Nominees for all awards are requested to prepare supporting documentation once the sponsoring organization asks the Agency for a nominee.

Attached are the Agency's nominations for the Excalibur Award, a Congressional award for Federal civilian and military personnel. Heads of Career Service were canvassed and [] were approved by the Honor and Merit Awards Board. The nominations are due by 15 August 1985.

The Office of Security and Central Cover Staff have concurred in these nominations.

13. Per your request attached are originals and one copy of each nomination for [] Congressman Barnes. Please note 15 August deadline and advise []

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